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Venice, July 28.

WE have Letters from *Prevesa*, which give the following account. On the first of *April* Signior *Delfino* was sent with nine Men of War and a Fireship into the *Archipelago*; and about the latter end of that month Signior *Molino* was detached with six Men of War and two Fireships to joyn him. The 15th of *May* Captain General *Morosini* sailed from *Corfu* with 18 Gallies, five Galeasses, three Pinks, and a Petache, and took his Course towards the Castle of *Gumenizza*, the Garison whereof fired their Cannon several times, either to give notice of the departure of our Fleet, or to warn the People of the Country to put themselves into a posture of defence; The General caused the Gallies and Galeasses to separate, ordering the first to pass between the *Escada* and the *Terra-firma*, and himself came hither with the latter; He caused some Moneys to be distributed among the Troops of this place, and those of *Santa Maura*, and drew 1000 men out of these two Garisons, and then parted again from hence to rejoyn the Galeasses at *Trepano*. General *Degbenfeld* was sent in the Gally commanded by Signior *Bragadino* to observe *Patrasso* and the Castles of *Lepanto*; He reported that there were 2000 Janisaries with several other Troops posted to hinder a descent on that side, and that the Master of a Vessel had informed him that the said Castles were provided with all things necessary for a vigorous defence; whereupon the Captain General, seeing the Auxiliary Troops and others he expected were not yet come up, resolved to return to *Preveza*, and arrived there the 26th; He took there a reveiw of his Troops and found them to be about 4000 men. The 27th they perceived the great Convoy that was sent from hence; at the same time the Galeasses were ordered to sail to *Dragomestre*, and the Captain General followed with the Gallies and Galiots, and arrived the next day in that Port. There the General received advice by a Brigantin sent by Signior *Molino*, That he had joyned Signior *Delfino* at *Milo*; And that the Turkish Fleet consisting of 30 Men of War and 60 Gallies were in the Port of *Scio*. The 6th of *June* Signior *Ambrosio Bembo* joyned the Fleet with 30 Vessels, having on Board 3000 men of the Troops of *Brunswick* and other Troops, with a great quantity of Provisions and a considerable sum of Money; On board one of these Vessels was Prince *Maximilian* of *Brunswick*, with the Marquis *de St. Paul*. The 8th arrived four Gallies of *Tuscany* without any Flag to avoid Contests; They Saluted the Standard of St. *Mark* with four Guns each, and a Volley of Small-shot, and were answered by the whole Fleet in the same manner. The 10th the Captain General took a review of the Troops of *Brunswick*. The 13th arrived five of the Popes Gallies and eight of *Malthe*, and the Salutes were performed in the manner that after some difficulties had been agreed on. The Fleet is at present composed of 22 Gallies, five Galleasses, 10 Galiots, eight Men of War, and a great many other Vessels, besides the Popes Gallies, and those of *Tuscany* and *Malthe*; The Land Forces consist in 13000 men of different Nations, besides 300 on board the Popes Gallies, 900 with 100 Knights on board those of *Malthe*, and 300 with 65 Knights on board the Gallies of *Tuscany*.

Venice, July 22. By a Vessel arrived from *Athens* we have advice, that Captain General *Morosini* was arrived with the Fleet of this State in the Golf of *Coron*, and that he had landed 18000 men, of which several thousand are *Greeks*, to attack the Fortress of *Calamata*. The Troops of *Saxony*, being 3400 men, are arrived here, and will embark in few days, to go and joyn the Fleet.

From the Imperial Camp before Newheusel, *July* 19. The 13th in the night we finished the Redoubt on the right, and carried on the Trenches within 50 paces of the Ditch of the place, we made them somewhat narrower than the night before, and covered our selves so well against the Enemies fire, that we had the whole night not one man killed or wounded. The 14th the besieged fired upon us the greatest part of the day with their Cannon, and killed a Captain of Foot, a Corporal, three Common Soldiers, and the Duke *de Croy*'s Page; which was all the harm they did us; In the afternoon 100 Horse came out of the Town and advanced towards the Guard of the Bavarians, which consisting only of 30 Horse retired, but Colonel *Soyer* got immediately on Horseback, and marching towards the Enemy with two Squadrons, beat them back into the Town. At night we finished another Redoubt on the left, and the Line of Communication between the Trenches, in the middle whereof a Battery was begun of 18 pieces of Cannon; This night we had only one Man wounded. The 15th nothing passed worthy of remark unless that the Enemy fired at us the whole day with their Cannon, though without doing any execution, but at night we posted our selves both on the right and left on the edge of the Ditch without any great resistance on the part of the besieged, on the right we had 30 men wounded, and on the left 15. with the Baron *d'Asti* Lieutenant-Colonel, two Ingeniers, and two Ensigns, and had in all 10 killed; We tried the Ditch with long Sticks with little hindrance from the Town; a small Party of Turks sallied out on the left, but were presently beaten back. This night we began to batter the place with five great pieces of Cannon; and the great Battery in the middle of the Line of Communication was very much advanced. The 16. and 17th there passed nothing remarkable, but that we continued our Works and prepared things in order to fill up the Ditch; Our Trenches are broad enough for 3 or 4 Men to go abreast, and so deep that a Horseman is covered in them. The 18th we battered the place with 16 pieces of Cannon from two Batteries; besides which there is another of three great pieces which batters one of the Gates. The 19th dyed the Prince *de Wirtemberg* of the wound he received the 10th Instant, greatly lamented by the whole Army;

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